The West Virginia Energy Summit: Advancing Domestic Resources In an Era of Carbon Challenges

> How Governments Can Help Industry Develop & Adopt Clean Coal Technologies to Capture and Store CO₂

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There Are 2 Methods to Capture or Reduce CO₂ Emissions from Coal Use

- CO₂ Emissions Reductions thru Efficiency:
 - Can be achieved by increasing the efficiency of a plant so less coal is used to produce the same amount of electrical output
 - Higher Efficiency = Lower Emissions
- CO₂ Emissions Reductions thru Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS):
 - Can be achieved in the future by developing CO₂
 capture technology to retrofit existing units or integrate into new units



CURC's two-part program to develop & use technology to address CO₂

- 1. Longer term research, development and demonstration (RD&D) program
- 2. Near term CO₂ project (focuses on technology installation NOW)





Typical development cycle of large scale, capital intensive coal systems



Approximate level of development of various advanced coal technologies & CO₂ capture and storage



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With RD&D, today's costly CO₂ capture systems can become cost-competitive



Summary of Long Term RD&D Recommendations

- Achieve emission reductions an "order of magnitude greater" than today's best technology – SO₂, NO_x, PM, Hg and CO₂
- Energy conversion efficiency at coal fueled power plants of ~50% (today 35%)
- Advanced coal utilization power plants capable of capturing 90+% CO₂
- 4. Long-term, safe and permanent storage of CO₂
- 5. Affordable electricity





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Summary of Near Term Recommendations

- 1. Increase the efficiency of existing units and new advanced clean coal units
- Support "early adopters" who plan to demonstrate carbon capture & storage (CCS) projects
- Adopt legislation to create a predictable framework for CO₂ long term transport & storage (questions about risk & liability)



What's needed to achieve the two-part plan?



Right Now: We are WAY in Front of our Skis

